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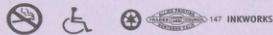
Administrative Office Hours
Tue. - Fri. 10 - 5 pm
510.849.2568
(ext. 2 for program info.)
info@lapena.org
www.lapena.org

Café de La Peña

Wed. - Sun. 5:30 pm
510. 849.4846
(for cafe business only)

La Tienda Box Office

Wed. - Sat. 1 - 6 pm
510.849.2568 ext. 20



* indicates that this program is a community rental and/or benefit and that tarjetas (La Peña discount cards) are not valid. Programs subject to change. La Peña is wheelchair accessible. La Peña is member of the Latino Arts Network of California

Cafe de La Peña. Open for dinners,
Wed. through Sun. starting at 5:30pm



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This year La Peña Celebrates 25
Years of Cultural Activism For
Social Change

Support our 25th Anniversary Year by Making a Donation!

DOM - SUN

LUN - MON

MAR - TUE

5 Women of Color Crafts
Fair 10am-5pm FREE

VIDEO
Qoyllur Rit'i: A Woman's
Journey. Journey to the
Peruvian Andes, to the Qoyllur
Rit'i sacred festival where
pilgrims blend their Andean and
Catholic faiths worshipping
glacial ice and a miraculous
apparition of Christ on an
ancient sacred stone. Dir. by
Gabriela Martínez Escobar, prod.
by Holly Wissler. 7:30pm \$5*

12 VIDEO
Dolls & Dust

The powerful story of women
workers in Sri Lanka, Thailand
and South Korea who face the
brunt of the "New World
Economy. Their personal
testimonies and struggles
highlight the life and death battle
to survive. Spon. by LaborFest
2000.

19 CONCERT
Flor de Tango

The Argentine trio of Mirta
Wymersberg, Guillermo Garcia,
and Roberto Forte perform
traditional tango music and are
joined by tango dancers.

8:30pm \$10

26 BENEFITCONCERT
Música para Venezuela

Jackeline Rago and her
California Arts Council classes
perform music from Venezuela
for Venezuela to benefit the
Venezuelan flood relief efforts.
Spon. by Ad hoc committee for
Venezuelan Flood Relief.

6pm \$8*

LA PEÑA CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Sat. March 4: Magic
Window Puppet
Theater. Linda Zittel
presents charming hand
puppets with warm and
humorous stories.

Sat. March 11: Long
time La Peña favorite
Gary Lapow shares his
original songs to delight audiences of all ages.

Sat. March 18: Diane Ferlatte and Erik Pearson
share stories and songs for the young at heart.

Sat. March 25: Plum
City Players featuring
songs and stories with
Bonnie Lockhart, Ann
Hershey, and Nancy
Schimmel.

LA PEÑA WISH LIST

Upgrading your
Macs? We need your
Power Macs and/or
laser printer. La Peña
also needs a y2k
compliant pc for
accounting.

Join Our E-Scrip Program!

Joining the La Peña E-Scrip Program allows you to make donations to La Peña while you shop! Whenever you shop at stores like Safeway, Andronico's, Cody's Books, Whole Foods Market, Piedmont Grocery, Payless Shoes, or when you use American Airlines or Budget Rent a Car, a percentage of what you spend will be donated to La Peña. 50 people have signed up so far, help us get to our goal of 150 before our anniversary in June! For information on signing up for the program call Greg McCombs at La Peña at (510) 849-2568 ext. 12.

1 CAFE POETRY
Cafe Poetry with **Blake Tolbert**
with new format: Poetw Feedback
session. 7:30-pm \$2

CAFE LOBBY ART EXHIBIT
Thursday 2, Opening
Continuing the Dream:
Living Designs 2000
Works by Rose M. Goods
African Drumming for the
reception.

8 CAFE POETRY
Cafe Poetry hosted by **Joyce
Young** with featured readers
Sandra Garcia Rivera and **Sarah
R.** Open mic to follow.

CULTURAL ROOM EXHIBIT
Bright Moments
Black and white photographs by
Peter Maiden of
Bay Area Latin musicians.
Reception for the artist,
March 11, 2-5pm FREE

15 CAFE POETRY
Cafe Poetry hosted by **Paul Flores**
with members of "Los Otros".
Open mic to follow.

7:30pm \$2

22 CAFE POETRY
Cafe Poetry hosted by **Wanda
Sabir** with guest readers **Chris
Trián** and **Deirdre Evans**. Open
mic to follow.

7:30pm \$2

29 CAFE PROSE
Cafe Prose hosted by **Wanda
Sabir** with guest reader **Aya de
Leon**.

7:30pm \$2

2 2 Videos from Venezuela
"Juan Felix Sanchez," a
documentary about this artist
famous for his work in the Andean
region of Mucuchies. "La Guajira"
describes the lives, rituals & stories
of the Guajiro Indians who live on
the edge of extinction in the
Peninsula de la Guajira between
Venezuela & Colombia. Spanish
language w/subtitles. Benefit for
flood victims in Venezuela.
7pm \$7-25 sliding scale*

9 WOMEN'S MONTH
BENEFIT EVENT
A Tribute to **Juanita Rieloff**
Video, music and poetry celebrating
the contributions Chilean
community activist **Juanita Rieloff** has
made to US communities and
international causes. Proceeds to
help pay medical expenses. **Juanita's**
paintings will be exhibit. Organized
by friends of **Juanita Rieloff**.

7:30pm \$5-50*
sliding scale donation

16 POETRY SLAM
Arrowsmith Academy presents
Truth From All
An evening of poetry and spoken
word organized by and featuring
young poets from Arrowsmith
Academy. Open and free events to
those willing to share their poetry,
Call 540-0440 in advance to get on
program.

7pm \$5 adults, \$4 students*

23 CONCERT
Regino Jimenez and **Friends**
An evening of Afro-Cuban Folklore
featuring master Cuban folk artist,
Regino Jimenez and an all-star
cast of Bay Area musicians including
Michael Spiro, Roberto Borrell,
**Jesus Diaz, Harold Muniz, Jose
Francisco Barroso** and **Jose Luis
Gomez**.

8pm \$10

30 REPORT BACK
Women Organizing in Nigeria
Laura Livoti of the The National
Radio Project Women's Desk
presents slides, stories, and audio
interviews with inspiring Nigerian
women organizing around gender,
environmental and human rights.
Also a report on the West African
Girls Empowerment (WAGE) and
attorney **Cindy Cohn** on Nigerians'
lawsuit against **Chevron**.

7:30pm \$5 (if you can)*

3 *THE SILVER STAR SERIES *
CELEBRATING LA PEÑA'S
25TH ANNIVERSARY
★ **Holly Near** ★
A skilled stylist, her voice embraces
country, folk, jazz, and musical
theater. Holly the consummate
entertainer is pleased to lend her
voice in celebration of La Peña's
25th Anniversary Year!

8pm \$17
adv. tickets available at La Peña and
at www.lapena.org

10 POCHOPALLOOZA
Featuring Chicano groovers **Los
Otros**, spoken word and music band
Grito Serpentino y más. An
evening of groove freaks, bearded
spoken word artistas, and other
sideshow curiosities. Sample some of
the best spoken word, cutting edge
film and theater, and music from
generation ñ Aztlan Barrio.

8:30pm \$8

17 CONCERT
**Flamenco Guitarist
David Serva**

David Serva is the only foreign
guitarist who has made a lifetime
career in Spain. Tonight's program
features the West Coast debut of
inimitable singer/dancer **Miguel
Funi**, Andaluz Gypsy flamenco idol,
and the special collaboration of
dancer **Clara Mora**.

Two Shows: 7:30pm & 9:45pm
\$20 adv. tickets available at L.P
& www.lapena.org

24 FLAMENCO DANCE
La Tania Flamenco Presents
Encuentro
La Tania and **Mercedes Amaya**,
(niece of the legendary **Carmen
Amaya**), share the stage for an
evening fired with the passion and
grace of two contrasting flamencas
dancing together for the first time.
Other guest artists: **Santiago Aguilar**,
guitarist, **Mario Diaz**, singer, **Hector
Aguilar**, cajon.

8pm \$17 adv. tickets available at
L.P. & www.lapena.org

31 BAILE/DANCE
**BAILE/DANCE
Jesus Diaz y su QBA**

Original, contemporary Cuban dance
music. Come check out **QBA's**
latest material. Also DJ **Sin
Fronteras**, **Rosa Oviedo**.

Salsa dance lesson 8:15pm to
9:15pm with José "Cheo" Rojas.
8pm \$15 for lesson + show
9:30pm \$12 for show only

4 CHILDREN'S PROGRAM WITH
MAGIC WINDOW PUPPETS
10:30AM

Carlos del Puerto (of Irakere)
offers a lecture-demonstration and
masterworkshop on Cuban music
1-5 pm see back for info)

A Blakkbuddah Pro Presents
**Hip Hop in Celebration of
International
Women's Month**
All Ages welcome
8pm \$10 gen. \$8 students

11 CHILDREN'S PROGRAM WITH
GARY LAPOW
10:30AM

Art Exhibit Reception 2-5pm FREE

★ **Jackeline Rago & the
Venezuelan Music Project &
The Snake Trio CD Release**
The Snake Trio combines jazz and
traditional music of Venezuela.
Jackeline Rago and the Venezuelan
Music Project perform Venezuelan
music in its traditional format. A
Silver Star Series program
8pm, \$10 adv. \$12 door

18 CHILDREN'S PROGRAM WITH
DIANE FERLATTE
10:30AM

CONCERT

★ **John Santos & Omar Sosa**
Omar Sosa and John Santos
perform a wide range of
emotionally charged music drawing
largely from Afro-Cuban folk, jazz
and spiritual traditions. Originality
and improvisation are the hallmarks
of their ground breaking work.
8:30pm \$13 adv. \$15 door

25 CHILDREN'S PROGRAM WITH
PLUM CITY PLAYERS
10:30AM

TANGO WORKSHOPS
1-5PM \$25 ADV. \$30 DOOR
Baile/Dance

★ **Dr. Loco's Rockin' ★
Jalapeño Band**
EL LOCOMotion will turn it up,
rock you out, and bring the house
down! Orale!
A Silver Star Series program
9:30pm \$10

April 1

A LA PEÑA SILVER STARS
SERIES PROGRAM

★ **WILL POWER ★**
in the
Hip Hop Blues Review
8pm \$12



Sat. March 18 • 8:30pm, \$13
adv/\$15 door: John Santos and
Omar Sosa.



Fri. March 3 • 8pm, \$17: **Holly Near**, brings new material as well as
old favorites to join in the 25th Anniversary Year Celebration.

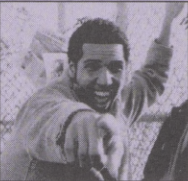
Sat. March 11 • 8pm, \$10 adv. \$12 door:
**Jackeline Rago and the Venezuelan Music
Project & The Snake Trio CD Release Party!**



Sat. March 25 • 9:30pm, \$10: **Dr. Loco's Rockin' Jalapeño Band** celebrates
La Peñas 25th Anniversary year with "puro" party
music!



Sat., April 1 • 8pm, \$12: **Will Power in The Hip
Hop Blues Review**, a new musical hybrid that
fuses together the Delta and Chicago style
blues with present day hip-hop.



Fri. April 7: La Peña and Yerba Buena Center for the Arts Present An
Evening of New Chicano Groove featuring **Grito Serpentino**,
Quetzal and **Los Otros**, \$10 general/\$8 students, seniors.
Yerba Buena Center for the Arts. This program is sponsored by Son
del Barrio Music and will take place at Yerba Buena Center for the Arts
Forum at 701 Mission St. in San Francisco.

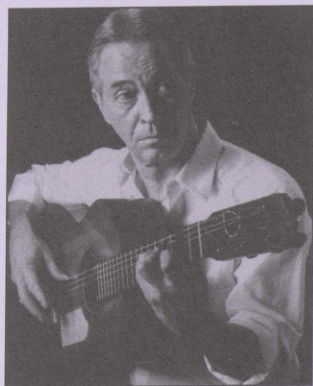
GET A BITE TO EAT BEFORE THE SHOW AT CAFE DE LA PEÑA!

MARCH HIGHLIGHTS

Todo el Flamenco en La Peña

Fri. March 17
Two shows
7:30pm & 9:45pm
David Serva

Flamenco guitarist David Serva, a legend among aficionados. West Coast debut of singer and dancer Miguel Funi, Andaluz Gypsy flamenco icon. Featuring dancer Clara Mora.



Fri. March 24 • 8pm
La Tania & Mercedes Amaya

Two contrasting dancers together for the first time sharing the stage for an evening fired with passion and grace

Dr. Loco's Rockin' Jalapeño Band

The LOCO motion
llega a
Berkeley
¡Orale!

Sat. March 25
9:30pm

Dr. Loco brings his special brand of Chicano rock to help La Peña celebrate our 25th Anniversary Year.



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CLASS SCHEDULE:

Free classes are supported by the California Arts Council Artists in Residence program. Other classes are supported by participant fees. Enrollment is limited, and instructor permission is required. For more information about these classes, call Sylvia Sherman at 510/849-2568 extension 16 (Mon.-Fri. 12-5pm). (TS = Theater Space, CR = Community Room behind La Tienda, CA = Cafe Area).

PERCUSSION:

NEW! — Afro-Cuban Percussion (Monday 6 - 7:30pm TS) Students will learn folkloric and popular Afro-Cuban rhythms. Instructor: Jesus Diaz, leader of Jesus Diaz y su QBA, and percussionist with Conjunto Céspedes, Talking Drums, and other groups. \$15 per class, or \$48 for four classes. No Class March 20

Beginning Afro-Venezuelan Percussion (Monday 6 - 7:30pm, CR) Students must bring their own drums. Congas are welcome. Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free.

Intermediate Venezuelan Percussion (Monday 7:30 - 9pm, CR) Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free.

Eastern Caribbean & Afro-Francophone Rhythms (Sunday 12 - 2pm, CR) This class will cover Calypso, Gwaka, Belaire, Quadrille etc. Bring congas, bells & sticks. Instructor: Ras Mo. Free. For more info call 510-840-1574.

NEW! — Bomba and Plena (Sunday 2:30 - 3:30pm, CR) Puerto Rican Percussion, Dances, and Songs. Covers all major bomba rhythmic patterns, and a variety of bomba and plena songs. Instructor: Roman "Ito" Carrillo. \$10 per class.

STRINGED INSTRUMENTS:

Mandolin (Tuesday 6:00 - 7:00pm, CR) Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free

Beginning Venezuelan Cuatro (Tuesday 7 - 8pm, CR) Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free.

Intermediate Venezuelan Cuatro (Tuesday 8 - 9pm, CR) Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free.

ON HIATUS — Latin American Guitar (Wednesdays, CR) Instructor: Rafael Manriquez. Classes will resume in April.

ENSEMBLES:

La Peña Community Chorus (Tuesday 7:45 - 10pm, TS) Director: Lichi Fuentes. Monthly Membership Dues Required. For chorus info call Nancy Gendel at 510-845-5161. At present there are openings for tenors and bases only.

ART AND ORGANIZING:

Art and Organizing: Lecture-Discussion (Tuesday 4:30 - 7:30pm, TS) Lectures on historical examples of art and organizing, and guest speakers. Discussion of work will focus on how to use art to organize people into action around specific issues and campaigns. This class is open to people who are already creating poetry, music and visual art and who want to use art to support progressive organizing in Oakland. Instructor: Raymond "Boots" Riley of The Coup. Free.

Art and Organizing: Laboratory (Sunday 12-3pm, TS) Class members will go into the community and make art: mural making, guerrilla theater, guerrilla hip hop concerts to support specific community organizing campaigns. See above for class membership criteria. Instructor: Raymond "Boots" Riley. Free.

Tango Classes • Milonguero Style

At the Cafe de La Peña. Every Thursday
 7:30 - 8:30pm. Informal dance at 8:30pm \$5

Tango Workshops with Metin Yazir

Sat. March 25: 1-3pm Fundamentals of posture, weight transfer, lead/follow.

3-5 pm: Learn Metin's elegant style with this workshop on intermediate elements of salon dancing. \$25 adv. \$30 at the door.



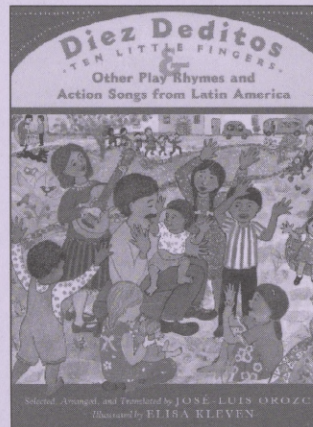
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